

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel Claims 2 and 8-20 without prejudice, amend Claims 1 and 3-8 as follows and add Claims 21-27:

1. (Currently amended) A hinge, ~~preferably for furniture~~, comprising a hinge arm (1) or a fixed-body hinge section and a pivotable hinge section (6) flexibly connected ~~thereto~~ to the hinge arm (1), whose movement ~~to the~~ a closed ~~portion~~ position is at least damped over part of ~~the~~ a closure path by a rotation damper,

wherein the rotation damper is formed as an axial axially-extending damper (13, 28) ~~whose~~ having an axis (18) ~~forms~~ forming a hinge axis of the hinge and ~~whose~~ having a cylinder (14) is fixedly connected to the hinge section (6) which is pivotably supported on said axis (18),

the hinge is a double guide hinge with said axis (18) of said axial damper (13, 28) forming a joint pin of one of four hinge joints and an end of a hinge guide (3, 4) supported thereon is fixedly connected to said cylinder (14).

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Currently amended) The hinge according to claim ~~2~~ 21, wherein ~~one of the fixed joint pins is~~ pin formed by said axis (18) of said axial damper (13) ~~and the axis is thereby fixed between the legs (17, 23) of a U-shaped~~ said hinge arm (1) being U-shaped such that one end (15) of said axis (18) which projects beyond said cylinder (14) has a non-circular or polygonal, ~~e.g., square~~ cross-section and engages in a complementary recess of one leg (17) of the

hinge arm (1) and the ~~other~~ opposite end (16) protruding from the cylinder (14) bears a circular disk (16) whose diameter is at least as large as ~~the~~ diameter of said cylinder (14) and which is held in a complementary hole (22) of the other leg (23) of the hinge arm (1).

4. (Currently amended) The hinge according to claim ~~2~~ 25, wherein one end of the pivotable joint ~~pins is pin~~ pin formed by said axis (18) of said axial damper (28) ~~and an axial pin of said axis (18)~~ is held in a wall (29) of said pivotable hinge section (6), the cylinder (14) is non-rotatably connected to one outer end of the guide (3) and the other end of the axial pin is provided with a radial extension (32) with a hole (33) in which ~~the~~ a pivotable bolt (34) of the other guide (4) engages.

5. (Currently amended) The hinge according to claim 4, wherein said wall (29) of said pivotable hinge section (6) which is located opposite ~~the~~ a wall (30) of the hinge section (6) holding the ~~axial pin~~ pivotal bolt (34), is provided with a hole in which a cylindrical disk-shaped section (34) is mounted, ~~which is to~~ be non-rotatably connected to said axis (18), ~~which is~~ constructed integrally with said extension (32) and whose diameter is at least as large as the diameter of said cylinder (14).

6. (Currently amended) The hinge according to claim ~~4~~ 3, wherein the axial pin (15, 34) of said axis (18) of said axial damper (13, 18) inserted through the holes or recesses of both legs of the U-shaped hinge arm (1) is provided with a rivet head (24, 35).

7. (Currently amended) The hinge according to claim 1, wherein said cylinder (14) is provided with at least one flattened section (20) for its fixing between the legs or lugs of ~~a U-shaped~~ said guide (4) which is U-shaped and the lugs are each provided with a corresponding complementary recess.

Claims 8-20. Cancelled

21. (New) The hinge according to claim 1, comprising  
a pair of guides (3,4) each structured and arranged to interconnect said hinge arm (1) and pivotal hinge section (6),  
a first one (4) of said guides (3,4) having an inner end being fixedly connected to said cylinder (14),  
an opposite end of said first guide (4) being supported upon said hinge section (6) at a second joint (7), and  
a second one (3) of said guides (3,4) having an outer end supported upon said hinge section (6) at a third joint (10) and an inner end supported upon said hinge arm (1) at a fourth joint (8).

22. (New) The hinge according to claim 22, wherein said guides (3, 4) each comprise substantially U-shaped, inclined bearing lugs,  
with said second joint (7) being constituted by a bolt (7) held upon said hinge section (6) and said first guide (4) comprising a rolled-up eye (5) at said outer end thereof and supported about said bolt (7),  
said third joint (10) being constituted by a bolt (10) held on said hinge

section (6) and the outer end of said second guide (3) being supported upon said bolt (10), and

said fourth joint (8) being constituted by a bearing bolt (8) retained between legs of said hinge arm (1) and on which the inner end of said second guide (3) is supported.

23. (New) The hinge according to claim 22, wherein said pivotal hinge section (6) is in the shape of a hinge cup.

24. (New) The hinge according to claim 22, additionally comprising a double hairpin-shaped curved leaf spring (9) mounted about said fourth joint bearing bolt (8) and supported with one leg on a web section of said hinge arm (1) and another leg on a control curve situated at the inner end of said first guide (4).

25. (New) The hinge according to claim 21, comprising  
a pair of guides (3,4) each structured and arranged to interconnect said hinge arm and pivotal hinge section (6), with  
a first one (3) of said guides (3,4) having an outer end supported upon said pivotal hinge section (6) at said damper (28) which constitutes one of said four joints.

26. (New) The hinge according to claim 1, wherein said hinge arm (1) is additionally U-shaped and comprising an additional bolt (25) arranged between legs of the hinge arm (1) on which a spring clip (26) is mounted.

27. (New) The hinge according to claim 3, wherein said cylinder (14) has a square cross-section.